



River Falls Youth Hockey Association

August 30th, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday August 30th, 2009

Place: Wildcat Centre

Board Members Present: Mike Kealy, Tom Magill, Dan Briese, Marc Harer, Jon Benusa, Lisa Woiwode, Tracey Laesser, Pat Dolan, Dave Buck, Jesse Getzie and Kent Manglitz

Board Members Not Present: Karl Erickson

Guests: Shane Dock, Cari Dock, Kelly Bopray

Notes taken by: Marc Harer

Meeting called to order @ 6:10pm by Mike Kealy

Approval of meeting minutes from July 26th, 2009 Board Meeting

Marc motioned to approve meeting minutes, Pat 2nd motion – approved (unanimous)

HOCKEY OPERATIONS

- **Action Items**
 - Follow-up on Bantam Co-op
- **Bantam level Co-op with Baldwin – *The RFYHA has been approached by Baldwin to Co-op at the Bantam level based on low numbers for Baldwin for the 2009 – 2010 season. Baldwin will have 10 players 1 of which is a goalie. River Falls will have approximately 20 players of which 1 is a goalie.***
 - How to handle the Bantam level co-op was reviewed. Items considered during the discussion;
 - Co-op or release and register of Baldwin players with RFYHA.
 - With Co-op what level do Baldwin players play at?
 - Open tryout for all players vs. placement of Baldwin players.
 - WAHA considerations.
 - How to determine practices and ice time arrangements?

Jon motioned to agree to Co-op with Baldwin at the Bantam level and have 2 teams, Marc 2nd motion – approved (unanimous)

- **Release Request – JJ Wiebusch**
 - JJ Wiebusch family requested release from RFYHA based on living on Hudson border, and attending school in Hudson district.

Marc motioned to allow release of JJ Wiebusch from RFYHA based on school district and age level, Jon 2nd motion – approved (6 to 4 approve vote)

- **Request for Try-out at Bantam level – Austin Manglitz**
 - Austin Manglitz meets the requirements to try-out at the Bantam level

Dave motioned to approve Austin Manglitz to try-out at the Bantam level based on the Policy Handbook Bylaws and a positive impact to both the Peewee and Bantam levels, Jesse 2nd motion – approved (8 votes approve, 1 no vote, 1 sustained)

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BUILDING OPERATIONS

- **Action Items**
 - *Dan* to check on whether or not we have received hockey net repair dollars payment from Shane Dock for current season.
- **Concessions**
 - Concessions inventory and organization under way.
- **Facility**
 - Clean-up day will be Saturday September 26th from 12noon to 5pm. Request assistance from the association to straighten up the Wildcat Centre in preparation for the upcoming season.
- **Ice Installation**
 - Installation is set to begin October 1st and be completed by the 17th.
- **Misc**
 - Skate Sharpening – *Dan* to contact Mike Culver.

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COMMUNICATION OPERATIONS

- **Volunteer Opportunities**
 - Committee lists will be presented at Fall Registration in order to fill remaining positions for upcoming season(s).

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FINANCE OPERATIONS

- **Treasurer Report / Financial Update – Dan Briese**
 - Making progress however we still have a serious financial situation to overcome.
- **Financial Awareness**
 - A plan to address the community needs to be established with the following goals;
 - Awareness
 - Input and Feedback
 - Committee options awareness and assistance
 - Assistance from Creditors
 - This needs to be done very professionally with the delivery of our business plan and current accomplishments. Last year was a focus on minimized expenses where this year and next our focus will be on maximizing revenues.
- **High School Items (Contracts, Locker Room Fee's, Captain's Practice) – Cari Dock** attended the meeting to discuss a few items on behalf of the Blue Line Club. Cari plans to come back in September to provide feedback from the Blue Line Club.
 - Contracts Not yet signed by Roli
 - Proposed fee for Locker Room usage will likely not be accepted however the Blue Line Club would like to provide assistance looking at the bigger picture of the Youth Hockey.

- Assisting with fund raising events, summer time options, community center type support, 50/50 raffle at HS games.
- Alumni engagement and support.
- Captain's Practice fee's set at \$110. Blue Line Club will manage a pre-registration to ensure there are enough skaters.
- **Emergency Assessment**
 - **Marc** to provide follow-up to association with status and feedback.
- **Pull Tabs**
 - Follow-up required with Finance Committee to potentially finalize an agreement with local establishment to sell pull tabs.
- **Hardship Request**
 - Request for exchange of service hours to pay registration fees received by association member.
 - Details and requirements to be reviewed based on member's requested support.

Jon motioned to accept request with exact details to be determined, Lisa 2nd motion – approved (unanimous)

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OTHER ITEMS

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Next board meeting is 6pm Sunday, September 27th, at the Wildcat Centre

10pm Marc motioned to end meeting, Jon 2nd motion - approved